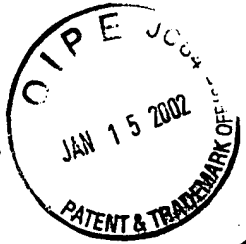


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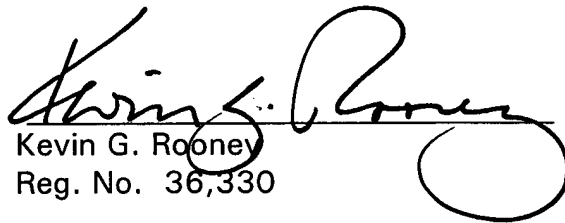
connection with the above-identified patent application. Copies of the cited references are enclosed herewith.

The Examiner is urged to consider the cited documents and to make an independent evaluation of the teachings and materiality of each.

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